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Town and Country.

MOUNT VERNON, JULY 2, 1861

A Military Encampment in Knox County.

Tremendous Excitement and an Alarming Panic!

The People Arm for Self-Defense, and March upon the Invaders!

One Thousand Men Ready for Battle!

"NOBODY HURT!"

On Monday evening last, June 24th, one of the most intensely exciting scenes that was ever witnessed in Knox County, occurred in Monroe township, about three miles north of Gambier.

The facts in regard to the matter, so far as we have learned them from all the parties, are substantially as follows:

It appears that the students of Kenyon College have organized a military company called the "Kenyon Guards," with Professor CHAPMAN as their Captain. For the purpose of inuring themselves to the hardships of a soldier's life, they marched out on the evening mentioned, with "all the pride, pomp and circumstance of war," to a spot previously selected, a beautiful grove on the farm of Mr. Reuben Wollison, in Monroe township. Arriving at the woods about dusk, without explaining their purposes to any one, or without asking permission of the owner of the woods to occupy the premises, they proceeded at once to erect their tents, build a camp-fire, and place sentinels on guard, according to the rules of military life. It seems that a son of Mr. Wollison soon came into camp, to whom the whole object of the expedition was explained; but this young man having been kindly treated by the students made himself perfectly happy amongst them, and did not return home until it was late in the evening. In the meantime the women folk became terribly alarmed, and fled to the neighbor's houses, under the erroneous impression that the encampment, instead of being a harmless collection of college boys, with wooden poles, assembled for innocent pastime, was in reality a company of soldiers, armed cap-a-pie, assembled solely for the purpose of harassing Mr. Wollison and some other men in the neighborhood. To strengthen this belief, it is said that anonymous letters were dropped into Mr. W. A. yard but a short time previous, threatening to mob him on the very night the students reached there. Like letters were received by other Democrats in that vicinity, purporting to come from that everlasting "Vigilance Committee."

With a knowledge of these facts, and without an explanation as to the real character of the encampment, it is no wonder the people were excited. Rumors were at once dispatched through the whole country round, even to Millwood and Bladenburg, and men were aroused from their quiet slumbers, to whom the alarming news (magnified most terribly the farther it traveled) was communicated, and at once arose, armed themselves, and mounting their fleetest horses, proceeded to the "seat of war," in double quick time.

The arrival of large bodies of horsemen, with all polished rifles upon their shoulders, during the latter part of the night, awakened the boys to a realization of the fact that they were likely to have trouble. Explanations and apologies were speedily made by the encampment, and the invading troops being satisfied, after a full investigation, and inspection of the camp, that the only fire-arms were wooden guns, and the only uniforms of war were sundry kegs of beer and bottles, with "something to take" in 'em, they laughed at the mistakes of the night, and after talking with the boys in giving three hearty cheers for the Union and the Constitution, and seeing the quality of the "contraband goods" in the aforesaid kegs and bottles, they quietly departed for their homes.

It is said that those who first reached the camp, returning home in the morning, met crowds of armed men, on the various roads, moving towards the "field of battle," ready and anxious to defend their friends and neighbors from assault. After learning the facts, they of course went no farther.

If the Collegians had in the first place explained the object of their visit to Mr. Wollison, and obtained his permission (which would have been readily given) to encamp in the woods, all could have been right, and no needless alarm created.

Had the expedition been of a hostile character, we have no doubt but that one thousand armed men would have been on the spot the next day, prepared for any emergency. This shows the spirit of the people during these exciting times.

"All's well that ends well."

We comply with the request of one of the students in giving place to the following communication:

Kenyon Light Guards.

The Students composing the Kenyon Light Guards, by way of becoming used to some of the vicissitudes of a soldier's life, camped out last Monday, a few miles from Gambier.

They arrived at dusk at the spot chosen for the occasion, a pleasant piece of woodland, and soon the scene was diversified by the circle of many tents encompassing the huge watch fire which shed its cheerful light over the groups gathered around. The glitter of the uniforms, the measured tread of the sentinels, and the frequent challenge, all served to heighten the scene, and remind one vividly of the "pomp, pride and circumstance" of actual warfare.

Visitors from the neighboring farms soon began to drop in, who informed the encamped company that it was understood in the neighborhood that they were on a marauding expedition. They were assured that nothing of the kind was meditated, and that the intentions of the Guards were pacific in the extreme, and they went away satisfied: the Company supposing that the mistake had originated in the idle tales of some farmer's wife.

The drum soon beat the signal for retiring to quarters and the boys repaired to their tents; here they slept soundly, though far from being lulled by the brief period which elapsed before they were in turn called up to mount guard.

Nothing occurred to disturb the silence till an hour or two A. M. the sentry on duty perceived an approach of a number of horsemen, who, on speaking with the officer in command, disclosed a startling fact that the Company had been mistaken for an armed body of assassins, that an alarm had spread through almost the whole county, that two families in the vicinity had left their homes and fled for protection to the houses

of a neighbor, and that a large number of armed men would be at the camp before morning, if the reports were not contradicted. Amazed and in great wonder as to what could have caused peaceable students, marching under the Stars and Stripes, to present such an appearance to the country people, the officer explained the character of the Company, and they were no more interrupted during the night.

At an early hour the boys were aroused, tents were dismantled, rations distributed and preparations made for the march, when a band of yeomanry armed with rifles approached, who had come from five miles distant, having been alarmed at midnight by the report that two hundred men, armed to the teeth, were engaged in committing depredations at the spot where the camp was situated. They also stated that some hundreds of men would probably be on the ground in the space of a couple of hours. This capped the climax. After three hearty cheers for their visitors the Company started back for Gambier, hoping that when called into actual service they might prove as formidable to the enemies as they had seemed to the friends of the Union.

K. L. G.

Thirty-Third Annual Commencement of Kenyon College.

On Thursday the celebration of the 33d Annual Commencement of Kenyon College took place. The day was dusty, but much cooler than is usual at this period of the year. Quite a number of persons were present to witness the exercises of the occasion. The present unhappy state of affairs prevented the attendance of a large crowd, which generally gathers in at that time. At 8 o'clock the procession, consisting of professors, students and alumni, moved from the college building; headed by the Roscoe Brass Band it marched to the chapel, where the performances were conducted according to the programme.

The speeches of the young gentlemen were highly creditable to themselves and to their Alma Mater, and manifested the thoroughness of the discipline to which their minds had been subjected. There was one noticeable feature in the exercises, viz: that no reference was made to our present public calamities. The addresses were as free from allusions as if there had been no war at all. This to all friends of the Institution is a very favorable indication. It shows that amidst the classic shades of Kenyon thoughts of the great world are excluded, as that the student can pursue his course free from interference and excitement. The Assistant Bishop of the Diocese very feelingly alluded to this matter and heartily thanked the students for their avoidance of these exciting subjects. The degree of A. B. was conferred upon the graduating class, and that of A. M. upon Henry M. Blackwell, Wylliss Hall, Frank H. Ford, J. Frank Ohi, and W. Thompson, in course; and the honorary degree upon Charles Messner. In the afternoon an address was delivered to the literary societies by the Rev. H. N. Bishop of Chicago. His subject—"The Moral Power"—was treated with marked ability. The oration was attentively listened to by the audience and received with frequent applause. After the oration the diplomas were presented to the members of the respective societies in brief and appropriate addresses by the gentleman selected for that purpose. The exercises then closed with a benediction by the Bishop. After the audience had gone a meeting of the Alumni was held; new officers were chosen, and our townsman, Judge J. S. Davis, was selected President of the association. W. K. Rogers was chosen Orator and Wylliss Hall Poet for the next commencement. It is a source of rejoicing among the friends of the institution to know that notwithstanding our country's difficulties, it is scarcely affected by them. There is a prospect of a large class for the ensuing year, and everything bids fair for the continued prosperity of old Kenyon.

Union School.

The pupils of the Public High School were examined in their several studies, on Friday, Monday and Tuesday, the 21st, 22d and 23d ult. The examinations were searching and impartial, and the several classes showed themselves well posted. Tuesday afternoon was occupied by rhetorical exercises of a high order, among which were the original orations of a class of five young men, who leave the school for college next year. Instrumental and vocal music added greatly to the entertainment. We understand that the closing exercises of the other departments were highly creditable to the teachers and pupils, and satisfactory to the patrons of the schools.

We may add that our High School, under the judicious management of Mr. Mitchell, and his accomplished corps of assistant teachers, has been in all respects a success, and has fully realized the expectations of its most sanguine friends.

St. Paul's Sabbath School.

The Fifth Anniversary of St. Paul's Sabbath School, Mt. Vernon, took place on Sunday, June 23d. The Church was crowded on the occasion by scholars, teachers, parents, and citizens generally, and the proceedings throughout were highly interesting and instructive. The exercises consisted of music, addresses, presenting of offerings, distribution of books, &c. The chancel was beautifully decorated with flowers, wreaths and evergreens. A fervent and appropriate prayer was offered by Rev. Dr. Muenchener, after which Prof. Luthrop, of Kenyon College, delivered a very happy address to the children. Addresses were also delivered by Mr. Buckingham and Mr. Delano. As the representatives of each class came forward and presented their missionary offerings, contributed during the year, they were received by the Rector, Rev. Mr. Bonte, in brief and suitable remarks. The total receipts lacked but a fraction of \$100, which was the amount the scholars aimed to reach. Gift books were distributed by the pastor to those children who were punctual in their attendance during the year, and every scholar in the school was also presented with a book by the Superintendent, Mr. Delano. We may add that St. Paul's is one of the best conducted and most prosperous Sabbath Schools in the State of Ohio.

The New State Loan.

We are authorized to state that J. FRANK ANDREWS, Esq., Cashier of the Knox County Bank, will act as agent for the State of Ohio, in receiving monies from any person or persons who may wish to take shares in the new State Loan, authorized by law. From the moment the money is deposited with Mr. Andrews it will bear interest at the rate of 6 per cent, and will be free from all taxes whatsoever. We think this will be a safe investment.

Mural Tablet of Bishop Chase.

While in Gambier the other day we took occasion to examine the Mural Tablet of Bishop Chase, the founder of Kenyon College, recently placed in Rose Chapel, by order of the Episcopal Church of the Diocese of Ohio. The Tablet has been placed in a panel in the wall to the left of the pulpit. The work is executed in marble, in basso-relievo, by an artist of Cleveland, and from the many busts and paintings we have seen of Bishop Chase, we should think that the artist had succeeded in making an excellent likeness of that venerable prelate of the church.—The Tablet occupies a space of about 4 by 12 feet, and is made of pure Italian and Egyptian marble. It is an elegant and pleasing ornament to Rose Chapel. A similar Tablet of Bishop McVain, placed in the opposite panel, in our opinion would be highly appropriate.

Bishop Bedell.

Bishop BEDELL preached in St. Paul's Church, Mt. Vernon, on Sunday evening, June 23d, before a crowded audience. His sermon was very eloquent and impressive. At the close of the service the ordinance of Confirmation was performed, and about twenty persons were received into the Church. It was a solemn and affecting scene.

Keep Cool.

The real philosophy of life is to "keep cool," at all times and under all circumstances. Don't get into a passion. Don't engage in heated discussions about politics, the war, or any thing else. Drink lemonade, sit on the shady side of the street, and go to Buchman's and buy yourself a nice suit of summer clothing. Keep cool!

Fourth of July.

We are authorized and requested to say that all the stores, shops, and business places in Mt. Vernon will be closed on the Fourth of July.

Washington Club.

The Washington Club will celebrate their 5th Anniversary, on the ever memorable Fourth, by a Grand Pic Nic and Dance, at A. C. Elliott's Island—the old place. The Declaration of Independence will be read by W. F. O'Rourke; orations will be delivered by Hon. W. Dunbar and S. J. Brent. Capt. William's Zouaves and Lafayette Fire Zouaves will join in the celebration, and appear in full uniform. Dinner tickets at a reduced price of 25 cts, omnibus fare each way 10 cts.

The Toledo Blade says.

The Toledo Blade says, the appointment of Geo. True, of Ohio, as Consul to Funchal, is announced. We presume the appointee is the late Local Editor of the Blade, now acting as Private Secretary of Brig. Gen. Hill.

Mr. True, until recently, was a resident of Mt. Vernon. He is a young gentleman of fine literary talents, and is an amiable, upright, and honorable man, although a pretty ardent Republican.

We have intelligence that the Knox County boys arrived safely at Grafton, Va., and are "spooling for a fight." As Gov. Wise is concentrating a large army at near Phillips; which is only 25 miles from Grafton, we think it likely that our soldiers will be very apt to have employment pretty soon.

Rev. A. D. Abbott will preach at the Baptist Church, in Mt. Vernon, the first Sunday in July, 7th day, at the hours of morning and evening service.

We this week complete the publication of the Law of Ohio.

Special Notices.

REGISTRATION can be permanently cured by "Dr. Leland's Anti-Rheumatic Band." See advertisement of "Front Care" in another column. June 11-14

P. P. P. PARK'S PRICKLY PLASTERS.

THESE DELICIOUS PLASTERS are sold really to the relief of the body, absorb perspiration and throw off all the offensive coagulated impurities of the system. They should be used for all Chronic Pains, Flatulency, Dyspepsia, Colic, Constipation, Rheumatism, Female Complaint, &c. &c. They contain active properties when other Plasters are useless, and where applied pain cannot exist. Every family should have them. One size on cloth, three sizes on leather. Sample sent by mail, on receipt of 25 cts. U. S. BANKERS, 114 E. Park Row N. Y.

What stronger proof can be produced than the following letter received from Rev. A. W. Curtis:

Romeo, Macomb co., Mich. July 10th, 1861. Messrs. J. N. HARRIS & CO., Gentlemen.—The confederacy of your "Pain Killer" is a remedy for Colic, Coughs, Burns, Sprains and Rheumatism, for the cure of which I have successfully used it. It induces me to cheerfully recommend its virtues to others.

A few months ago I had recourse to it to destroy a felon; although I had never heard of its being used for that purpose, but having suffered directly from a felon, and having no other remedy at hand, I applied the Pain Killer freely for about fifteen minutes at evening, and the application was made very briefly the next morning, which entirely destroyed the felon, and increased my confidence in the utility of the remedy. Yours truly, A. W. CURTIS.

The Western Dispensary, Cincinnati, Ohio. Pain Killer sold by A. W. Lippitt and James Blackland. June 11-14

DR. RICHARDSON'S SHERRY WINE BITTERS.

The success of this medicine has been an inducement for others to manufacture innumerable kinds of Bitters with country names, and one of which may be named, that was introduced even twenty years later than the origin of this medicine. They usually appeared with iteming announcements of their remarkable virtues, but as quickly departed, and were seen no more.

Sold by A. W. Lippitt and James Blackland. Tetter is a very troublesome eruption on the skin, often attacking the face and hands. For this, all that is necessary is to wash the parts thoroughly from all discharge (if any should have accumulated), and apply Dr. S. A. Weaver's "Tetter Cure" freely, and the cure is effected. One or two bottles will generally cure the worst cases.

A lady in New Jersey says that her hands and arms were afflicted with an acute letter of long standing, and it was spreading at the time she commenced the use of the medicine. She had the best medical treatment, and it did her no good. She then expected to conduct his business as heretofore, on all its various branches. Garments of all descriptions, and made to order, on short notice, and as durable as the best. A few of your readers who have been afflicted with the same, and ask me many new ones as fast as they can trust him with their work. E. WILCOX.

Fort Sumter Evacuated.

The evacuation of Fort Sumter by the United States does not say that E. WILCOX has evacuated his old stand on Main street, over Brown's Dry Goods Store, where he still remains and expects to conduct his business as heretofore, on all its various branches. Garments of all descriptions, and made to order, on short notice, and as durable as the best. A few of your readers who have been afflicted with the same, and ask me many new ones as fast as they can trust him with their work. E. WILCOX.

Valuable Farm for Sale.

300 Acres of valuable land, all under fence, 200 cleared, and under good state of cultivation, containing a good frame Dwelling house, barn, and outbuildings, two good stables, and two orchards of grafted fruit, situated in Morris Township, Knox Co., Ohio, 6 miles from Mt. Vernon, and 3 miles from Fredericktown. Said premises are well situated, and are watered with seven good springs, and two large streams of running water. Said land will be sold in one lot, or divided into one hundred acre lots to suit purchasers, and sold on easy terms. For particulars apply to D. BRADDOCK, July 2-4

TAKE NOTICE.

DRY GOODS at COST, from January 1, 1861. Apply every body at WARNER MILLER'S. Jan 22

THE GREAT ENGLISH REMEDY

SIR JAMES CLARKE'S Celebrated Female Pills.

Prepared from a prescription of Sir J. Clarke, M. D., Physician Extraordinary to the Queen.

This invaluable medicine is unfailing in the cure of those painful and dangerous diseases to which the female constitution is subject. It moderates all excess and removes all obstructions, and a speedy cure may be relied on.

TO MARRIED LADIES.

These Pills should not be taken by females during the first THREE MONTHS of pregnancy, as they are sure to bring on Miscarriages, but at any other time they are safe.

In all cases of Nervous and Spinal Affections, Pain in the Back and Limbs, Fatigue on slight exertion, Palpitation of the Heart, Hysterics and Whites, these Pills will effect a cure. In all cases where the female system is deranged, and means have failed, and although a powerful remedy, do not contain iron, calomel, antimony, or any thing hurtful to the constitution.

Full directions in the pamphlet around each pack age, which should be carefully preserved. Sole Agent for the United States and Canada, J. B. MOSES, (Late L. C. Druggist and Apothecary, Rochester, N. Y.)

N. B. \$1.00 and 6 postage stamps enclosed to any authorized agent, will insure a bottle, containing 50 Pills, by return mail.

Sold by S. W. LIPPITT, Mt. Vernon, Aug. 23, 1860-11.

Household Remedy—Everybody keeps it.

PERRY DAVIS' PAIN KILLER, THE GREAT FAMILY MEDICINE OF THE AGE.

TAKEN internally, it cures sudden Colic, Gout, Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Headache, Toothache, Stomach Pain, Canker, Liver Complaint, Diarrhoea, Burning Sores, Burns and Scalds, Cuts, Bruises and Sprains, Menstrual Pain, Rheumatism, Toothache, Pain in the Face, Neuralgia and Rheumatism.

Applied externally, cures Felons, Boils and Old Sores, severe Burns and Scalds, Cuts, Bruises and Sprains, Menstrual Pain, Rheumatism, Toothache, Pain in the Face, Neuralgia and Rheumatism.

It is a sure cure for Ague, Chills and Fever. For Sore Throat, the Pain Killer used, mixed with water, as a gargle, will cure, and it is used with great success in all cases.

The Pain Killer taken internally, should be adulterated with milk or water, or made into syrup with molasses. For a severe cold, or fever, or when taken with great success in all cases.

See Printed Directions, which accompany each bottle. The Pain Killer is by universal consent, the best and most reliable remedy ever prepared in the history of medical preparations. Its instantaneous effect in the entire eradication and extinction of PAIN, in all its various forms, incident to the human family, and the unolicited written and verbal testimony of the masses in its favor, have been and are its best advertisement.

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DR. LELAND'S Anti Rheumatic Band,

IS THE ONLY REMEDY KNOWN FOR RHEUMATISM, GOUT AND NEURALGIA AND A SURE CURE.

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